

**PATENT** 

## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

(MBHB Case No. 00-176-D)

In the Application of:		)
	Loren J. Veltrop	) Art Unit: <b>1761</b>
Serial N	No.: <b>10/080,872</b>	) )
Filed:	February 22, 2002	) Examiner: <b>Drew E. Becker</b> )
For:	Apparatus and Method for Maintaining Cooked Food in a Ready-to-Serve Condition Using a Freestanding Cover For Food Trays	) ) ) )

## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

In regard to the above-identified patent application:

- 1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:
  - A. Response to Office Action Mailed June 30, 2004;
  - B. Form PTO-1449 with a copy of 1 cited reference;
  - C. Return Receipt Postcard.
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Respectfully Submitted,

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